

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 10 were elected in the prior application and so have been deleted in the present divisional application, along with Claims 24-28 and 33-36. Applicant has added Claims 37-42. Therefore, Claims 11-23, 29-32 and 37-42 are pending in this case.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the prior art of record in the parent cases and make it of record herein. Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance. Early and favorable consideration of the application is respectfully requested.

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Version With Markings To Show Changes Made

In the Specification:

The paragraph starting on page 1, line 19:

--As an alternative to wood fences, thermoplastic fencing assemblies have been provided with components formed to resemble wood fencing structures. Such thermoplastic assemblies include extruded, hollow tubes shaped to resemble planks. The "planks" are joined by horizontal "rails" and coupled to posts, all of which also consist of plastic, extruded tubes. Though such thermoplastic assemblies do not deteriorate in the same manner as does wood, the plastic fences of the prior art have their own disadvantages.--

The paragraph starting on page 8, line 5:

--FIG. 3 is a cross-sectional view of the preferred fence panel taken along lines 3'-3' of FIG.1;--

The paragraph starting on page 8, line 7:

--FIG. 4 is a cross-sectional view of the preferred fence panel taken along lines 4'-4' of FIG.1;--

The paragraph starting on page 8, line 9:

--FIG. 5 is a cross-sectional view of the preferred fence panel taken along lines

5'-5' of FIG.1;--

The paragraph starting on page 8, line 11:

--FIG. 6 is a cross-sectional view of the preferred fence panel taken along lines

6'-6' of FIG.1;--

The paragraph starting on page 13, line 16:

--One or more horizontal reinforcements 120 may be provided. In the preferred embodiment, top and bottom reinforcements 120 are provided. Each reinforcement 120 preferably comprises a pair of thermoplastic hollow bars 122, each bar 122 being coupled to its corresponding fence panel 10 on the rear surface 23 preferably by adhesion. In the preferred embodiment, the bars 122 are preferably rectangular so as to provide a flat surface that abuts the flat sections 45 of the panels 10. The bars 122 are preferably composed of a thermoplastic material and may be adhered to the panels 10 with adhesive material, such as polyvinyl chloride cement. The bars 122 are aligned to receive an insert 124 which is then fastened to the pair of bars 122. Outer end portions 126 of the bars are coupled to the posts 112, preferably by brackets 130.

Vertical supports (not shown) may be optionally disposed in the stake recesses 63-65 adjacent to the rear creases 61. In the preferred embodiment, the posts 112 and reinforcement bars 122 are composed of a thermoplastic material, such as polyvinyl chloride.--

In the Claims:

Claims 1-10, 24-28 and 33-36 have been canceled.

18. (Currently amended – Once) A double-sided wall assembly, comprising:

a first sub-assembly comprising:

a first frame, and

a first pair of thermoformed panels coupled to opposite sides of the first frame, each of the first pair of thermoformed panels having a front surface and a rear surface, the panels of the first pair being coupled to the first frame in a back-to-back configuration;

a second sub-assembly comprising:

a second frame, and

a second pair of thermoformed panels coupled to opposite sides of the second frame, each of the second pair of thermoformed panels having a front surface and a rear surface, the panels of the second pair being coupled to the second frame in a back-to-back configuration;

a first post; and

a second post;

~~wherein the first sub-assembly and the second sub-assembly are disposed side-by-side and in between the posts.~~

Claims 37 – 42 have been added.

